

City of Galveston

FACILITIES DEPARTMENT

August 4, 2020

To: Brian Maxwell, City Manager

Hon. Mayor and City Council Members

From: Charles Kenworthy, Facilities Director

RE: Consider for approval the purchase of twenty-six (26) JXG-513 Artemis Temperature Detection scanners from Staples through Buy Board Contract # 579-19 for city facilities for the protection of the public and employee health and safety due to COVID-19, and authorize the City manager to complete the purchase utilizing CARES ACT funding.

I. Background

- A. The City of Galveston declared a local Disaster Declaration on March 16, 2020 due to the COVID-19 Pandemic. The City continues to be impacted by the ongoing events due to COIVD-19 requiring additional safety precautions be taken to protect the public health and safety of the general public as well as those employees that enter our facilities.
- B. The State of Texas Corona Relief Fund (CRF) was established under the CARES ACT, and authorized reimbursement of eligible expenses incurred during the incident period of March 1, 2020 through December 30, 2020 for COVID-19.
- C. The Federal Transit Administration (FTA) authorized funding for eligible expenses under the CARES ACT, and authorized reimbursement of eligible expenses incurred during the incident period beginning January 20, 2020.

II. <u>Current Situation</u>

A. The City has evaluated the use of temperature scanners and determined the most feasible option is the JXG-513 model which features an audible alarm.

B. The City identified 3 potential vendors for JXG-513 model

• Staples \$1,349.99 26 x \$1,349.99 = \$35,099.74

• Creative Star \$1,400.00 26 x \$1,400 = \$36,400

• Thermal Geek \$40.00 26 x \$40.00 = \$1,040



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- C. Locations for Scanners The City currently has identified the following locations for the placement of the temperature scanners:
 - City Hall (3)
 - McGuire Dent (1)
 - Wright Cuney (1)
 - Lasker Pool (1)
 - Public Works Admin (3)
 - Public Works Warehouse (2)
 - Airport (2)
 - Old 30th Street Pump Station and Code Enforcement (3)
 - Public Works Sanitation (1)
 - Public Works Traffic (1)
 - Public Works Main Waste Water Treatment Plant (1)
 - Central Fire Station (1)
 - Galveston Police Department (2)
 - Island Transit Maintenance Facility (2)
 - Reserve For use in other areas as needed (2)

III. Issues

A. The purchase of these items must be completed by December 20, 2020 in order to comply with the CARES ACT funding provisions.

IV. Alternatives in order of priority

- A. Approve the purchase of the twenty six (26) Artemis temperature scanners and authorize the City Manager to complete the purchase utilizing CARES ACT funding.
 - 1. Funding Source The cost of \$32,399.76 CARES ACT-TDEM, and \$2,699.98 CARES ACT FTA.
 - 2. <u>Timing</u> The timing is immediate to meet the health and safety needs for the public and employees that use the facilities as well as to meet the short funding deadlines.





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- B. Do not approve the purchase for the twenty-six Artemis Temperature scanners.
 - 1. Cost No Additional cost at this time.
 - 2. Timing -.
 - 3. Impact or Ramifications The City will continue to lack the capability to monitor the temperatures of the public and employees as recommended by the CDC entering city facilities during the COVID-19 outbreak.

V. Recommendation

Concur with Alternative A and approve the purchase of twenty-six (26) JXG-513 Artemis Temperature Detection scanners from Staples for City facilities for the protection of the public health and safety of the public and city employees, and authorize the City manager to complete the purchase utilizing CARES ACT funding.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tesa Wrobleski.

FEMA Public Assistance Program Manager

